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Credentials of representatives to the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly

Report of the Credentials Committee

Chairman: Mr. Pablo Antonio **Thalassinós** (Panama)

1. At its 1st plenary meeting, on 13 September 2011, the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 28 of its rules of procedure, appointed a Credentials Committee for its sixty-sixth session consisting of the following Member States: China, Costa Rica, Egypt, Italy, Maldives, Panama, Russian Federation, Senegal and United States of America.

2. The Credentials Committee held its 1st meeting on 14 September 2011.

3. Mr. Pablo Antonio Thalassinós, Permanent Representative of Panama, was unanimously elected Chairman.

4. The Committee had before it a memorandum by the Secretary-General dated 13 September 2011, concerning the credentials of representatives of Member States to the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly. The memorandum indicated that credentials issued by the Head of State or Government, or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, as provided in rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the Assembly, had been submitted by the following 17 States: Armenia, Bahamas, Bhutan, Cambodia, Chad, Costa Rica, Ethiopia, Kyrgyzstan, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Liechtenstein, Monaco, New Zealand, Russian Federation, San Marino, Saudi Arabia, Sudan and Timor-Leste.

5. The Assistant Secretary-General for Legal Affairs explained to the Committee that the Secretary-General's memorandum related solely to the Member States that had submitted formal credentials of their representatives in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly.

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6. Regarding the credentials of representatives of other Member States participating in the sixty-sixth session whose formal credentials had not yet been received at the time of the Committee's 1st meeting, the Assistant Secretary-General for Legal Affairs stated that at a later date the Secretary-General would report to the Committee on such credentials.

7. The Chairman proposed the following draft resolution for adoption by the Committee:

"*The Credentials Committee*,

"*Having examined* the credentials of the representatives to the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly of the Member States referred to in paragraph 4 of the report of the Credentials Committee,

"*Accepts* the credentials of the representatives of the Member States concerned."

8. The draft resolution proposed by the Chairman was adopted without a vote.

9. The Chairman then proposed that the Committee should recommend to the General Assembly the adoption of a draft resolution entitled "Credentials of representatives to the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly" (see para. 11). The proposal was adopted without a vote.

10. In the light of the foregoing, the present report is submitted to the General Assembly.

Recommendation of the Credentials Committee

11. The Credentials Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Credentials of representatives to the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Credentials Committee and the recommendation contained therein,

Approves the report of the Credentials Committee.